

amendment to appropriate an amount of federal funds in excess of the federal fund appropriation in this bill may not be approved by the Governor until the amendment has been reviewed by the Joint Budget and Audit Committee. The Committee shall have 45 days to review and consider the proposed budget amendment and may submit recommendations to the Governor.

SECTION 16. --AND--BE--IT--FURTHER--ENACTED,--That--a--budget amendment--to--appropriate--an--amount--of--federal--funds--in--excess--of--the--federal--fund--appropriation--in--this--bill--may--not--be--approved--by--the--Governor--until--the--amendment--has--been--reviewed--by--the--Joint--Budget--and--Audit--Committee.--The--Committee--shall--have--45--days--to--review--and--consider--the--proposed--budget--amendment--and--may--submit--recommendations--to--the--Governor.--if--the--Governor--approves--a--budget--amendment--that--has--been--recommended--for--disapproval--by--the--Joint--Budget--and--Audit--Committee,--the--Governor--shall--advise--the--Committee--as--to--his--reason.

SECTION 17. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Board of Public Works in exercising its authority to create additional positions pursuant to Article 78A, Section 16B, may authorize during the fiscal year no more than 50 positions in excess of the total number of authorized State positions on July 1, 1985, as determined by the Secretary of Budget and Fiscal Planning. Provided, however, that if the imposition of this ceiling causes undue hardship in any department, agency, board, or commission, additional positions may be created for the affected unit to the extent that positions authorized by the General Assembly for the fiscal year are abolished in that unit or in other units of State government. It is further provided that the limit of 50 does not apply to any position that may be created in conformance with specific manpower statutes that may be enacted by the State or federal government nor to any position created to implement block grant actions or to implement a program reflecting fundamental changes in federal/State relationships. Notwithstanding anything contained in this section, the Board of Public Works may authorize additional temporary positions to meet public emergencies resulting from an act of God and violent acts of men, which are necessary to protect the health and safety of the people of Maryland.

SECTION 18. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That whenever the Joint Budget and Audit Committee through its review and evaluation process of audit reports issued by the Legislative Auditor and after consultation with the Legislative Auditor determines, based upon exceptions contained in the audit reports, that a particular agency (to include department, administration, division, bureau, board, or commission) does not adequately account for its fiscal affairs and/or does not adequately comply with State laws, rules and regulations regarding the agency's fiscal and accounting records and procedures and/or fiscal and administrative activities, the Committee may recommend to the